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Applicant : Dietmar BAUMANN et al.  
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**AMENDMENT RESPONSIVE TO THE OFFICE ACTION OF OCTOBER 29, 2004**

Sir:

In response to the Office action of October 29, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.